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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants : Richard Ian Christopherson et al.
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SUPPLEMENTAL REPLY AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents:

Applicants previously submitted an Amendment on June 3, 2004, in response to the Office Action dated December 3, 2003, and a Response on September 22, 2004, in response to the Office Action dated September 9, 2004. In order to advance the prosecution of the above-referenced application, Applicants respectfully submit the present Supplemental Amendment in response to the Office Action dated September 9, 2004. Please amend the application as follows.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.